



KAVINPURAM THALAPPOLI

KAVINPURAM BHAGAVATHI TEMPLE, KOTTAYAM



LOCATION

**Panchayat/
Municipality/
Corporation**

Ramapuram Panchayat

District

Kottayam



ACCESSIBILITY

**Nearest Town/
Landmark/ Junction**

St. John's Church– 350m

Nearest Bus station

Ezhacherry Bus Stop – 400m

**Nearest Railway
station**

Kottayam Railway Station – 35 Km

Nearest Airport

Cochin International Airport – 63Km



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TIME

DATES

December/January (*Dhanu*)

FREQUENCY

Annual

DURATION

2 Days



ABOUT THE FESTIVAL (Legend/History/Myth)

The *Kavinapuram Thallapoli* is held part of the annual temple festival celebrated in the malayalm month of *Dhanu* .*Kavinapuram* temple's myth was based on the famous epic *Mahabharatha*, the *Pandava's* third prince *Arjuna* was once passing through a forest. As *Arjuna* was well known as an archer and a warrior, which inflated his ego, Lord *Shiva* and Goddess *Parvathi* decided to teach a lesson to *Arjuna*, so as to make him humble again. So, both of them changed as "*Kiratha*" and "*Kirathi*", primitive hunters living in the forest, and challenged him to a fight. *Arjuna*, not knowing who they were, proceeded to fight against them with contempt, only to suffer a humiliating defeat. When he *lost*,*Arjuna* realized that his opponents must be Lord *Shiva* and *Parvati*. Humbled, *Arjuna* asked for forgiveness, and in return *Shiva* and *Parvati* blessed him. The main idol of *Kavinapuram* temple depicts their blessing posture.



RELEVANCE-
(Local / National / International)

Local



NO. OF PEOPLE PARTICIPATED

Above 2000



EVENTS/PROGRAMS

Brahminipattu
Thalappoli
Classical music
Chakyarkoothu

DESCRIPTION (*How festival is celebrated*)

The annual festival is celebrated at the temple in the last week of December also known as the month of "Dhanu". The main attraction of the festival is "Kavinpuram Thalappoli". This follows a tradition of lighting oil lamps at night and participating in the long procession for two days.

